

California State Fire Marshal CODE INTERPRETATION

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Topic	Smoke Barriers in Group I, Division 1.1 Occupancies			
Code Section(s)	Section 308.2.2.1, California Building Code (1998 ed)			
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Is it the interpretation of the State Fire Marshal that only cross-corridor doors and mechanical duct penetration openings are permitted in the smoke barrier walls in a Group I, Division 1.1 occupancy as specified in Section 308.2.2.1?

Yes. For further information regarding this subject, please refer to Section 308.2 of the ICBO Handbook published May 1998. It should also be noted that throughpenetrations are also allowed provided they are protected by an approved fire stop system appropriate for the penetration.